

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 785  
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A RESOLUTION to celebrate the placement of the Dixie Greyhound Bus Lines Garage and Offices on the National and Tennessee Registers of Historic Places.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those notable communities that preserve the panoramic history of the great State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, on November 21, 2003, the National Park Service of the United States Department of the Interior, upon nomination of the Tennessee Historical Commission and the Department of Environment and Conservation, placed the Dixie Greyhound Bus Lines Garage and Offices in Memphis on the National and Tennessee Registers of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, Tennesseans have demonstrated incomparable pride and dedication to preserving Tennessee, Southern, and American history, and the Dixie Greyhound Bus Lines Garage and Offices now hold a singular position of honor among the historical treasures of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the former bus depot, located at 525 N. Main St. in Memphis, was constructed in 1928 and once housed the thriving Greyhound bus company owned by transportation entrepreneur James Frederick Smith; the property of the complex measures a little more than one acre and once included a passenger waiting room, a concrete bank vault, and the bus repair garage; and

WHEREAS, to be considered for the prestigious distinction of being placed on the National Register of Historic Places, properties must be associated with events that have made contributions to history; associated with the lives of significant people from the past; embody characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction; and yield important historical

information, except in the most extreme cases, properties must also be at least fifty years old; and

WHEREAS, through the preservation of historic properties such as the Dixie Greyhound Bus Lines Garage and Offices, the citizens of Tennessee can continue to benefit from the panoramic history our State has to offer and learn its many lessons for the future; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the Dixie Greyhound Bus Lines Garage and Offices in Memphis be recognized and honored for its special place in Tennessee history as we celebrate its recent certification by the National Park Service of the United States Department of the Interior and its inclusion on the National and Tennessee Registers of Historic Places.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.